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Docket No. 06-181

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary**From:** acey.ossman@cms.k12.nc.us**Sent:** Tuesday, October 03, 2006 10:36 AM**To:** Kevin Martin; Deborah Tate; Robert McDowell; Michael Copps; jonathan.adelsten@fcc.gov; Monica Desai**Subject:** Re DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Dear FCC Chairman,

I protest the recent Orders granting exemptions from closed captioning issued by CGB.

These Orders appear to create a new regulation, carving out a new exemption basis, not in keeping with current regulations. We are outraged and believe the FCC has created a loophole that almost any entity crying "it costs too much" can now use. Please reconsider immediately! Closed Captioning is crucial to the social and educational success of children and adults with hearing loss

Acey Ossman

Educational Specialist for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Charlotte, NC

~~~~~"Research shows that by the time a child with hearing loss graduates from high school, more than \$400,000 per child can be saved in special education costs if the child is identified early and given appropriate educational, medical, and audiological services."

Source: White, K. R., & Maxon, A. B. (1995). Universal screening for infant hearing impairment: Simple, beneficial, and presently justified. *International Journal of Pediatric Otorhinolaryngology*, 32, 201-211.

"If hearing loss remains undetected, even mild hearing loss or hearing loss in only one ear has substantial detrimental consequences. For example, research shows that children with hearing loss in one ear are ten times as likely to be held back at least one grade compared to a matched group of children with normal hearing."

Source: Bess, F. H., & Tharpe, A. M. (1986). Case history data on unilaterally hearing-impaired children. *Ear and Hearing*, 7(1), 14-19.~~~~~

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**From:** Joel Nielsen [nhrafreak22@windstream.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 04, 2006 12:12 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Joel Nielsen  
129 Ivygreen Chase  
Canton, GA 30114-6610*

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**Sent:** Wednesday, October 04, 2006 10:02 AM  
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*Sincerely,*

*Stephen Renault Jr  
11 Hickory Ct Apt A  
Maple Shade, NJ 08052-1951*

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**From:** Mark Kusnetz [Ozzman859@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 04, 2006 1:22 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Mark Kusnetz  
4801 Redbluff Cir  
Irvine, CA 92604-2475*

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**From:** Andrew Cohen [dfman18@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 03, 2006 8:52 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Andrew Cohen  
1341 Foxwood Dr  
Monroeville, PA 15146-4436*

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**From:** Sean Gerlis [president@njadeaf.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 03, 2006 4:15 PM  
**To:** Kevin Martin; Deborah Tate; Robert McDowell; Michael Copps; Jonathan Adelstein; Monica Desai  
**Cc:** president@njadeaf.org  
**Subject:** DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007: Closed Captioning

*Dear FCC Officials:*

*In Re DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007, I protest the recent Orders granting exemptions from closed captioning issued by CGB. These Orders appear to create a new regulation, carving out a new exemption basis, not in keeping with current regulations. We are outraged and believe the FCC has created a loophole that almost any entity crying "it costs too much" can now use. Please reconsider immediately! We need our closed captioning!*

*I represent approximately 740,000 Deaf & Hard of Hearing residents of state in New Jersey and we are very concerned about this situation which has been lenient with closed caption in granting exemption for CGB and/or any other non-for-profit organizations to host a television shows.*

*Also, we are very concerned about this recent ruling made by FCC,*

*FCC states that it is "inclined favorably" to grant new exemption requests to organizations that do "not receive compensation from video programming distributors from the airing of [their] programs," and who also say they "may terminate or substantially curtail [their] programming" or "[curtail] other activities important to [their] mission" if forced to caption.*

*We find this ruling very threatening to our community where we really depend on the accessibility of closed captions in our television shows by understanding the verbatim. Without the closed captioned, we are left off from the community interactions made by television shows.*

*We urge you to reconsider and revise this ruling at the earliest convenient.*

*Thank you.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*-Sean Gerlis; President  
New Jersey Association of the Deaf  
E-mail: President@NJADeaf.org  
Website: www.NJADeaf.org*

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Sean Gerlis; President  
New Jersey Association of the Deaf  
27 Mohawk Avenue*

*Lincoln Park, NJ, 07035 1*

**Kenneth L. Hill**

Docket No. 06-181

**From:** Michele Lamb [lambm@earthlink.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2006 8:25 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** In Re DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007  
**Importance:** High

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In Re DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Michele Lamb

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**Kenneth L. Hill**Docket No. 06-181**From:** Meg Smither [msmither@nc.rr.com]**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2006 4:36 PM**To:** Kevin Martin; Deborah Tate; Robert McDowell; Michael Copps; Jonathan Adelstein; Monica Desai**Cc:** Lee D Smither**Subject:** DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

Dear Ladies &amp; Gentlemen,

I protest the recent Orders granting exemptions from closed captioning issued by CGB. I have a hearing impaired daughter who uses Closed Captioning everyday of her life when she is watching television as well as at school when she is watching videos -- that the instructors use for education purposes.

These Orders appear to create a new regulation, carving out a new exemption basis, not in keeping with current regulations. My husband and I are outraged and believe the FCC has created a loophole that almost any entity crying "it costs too much" can now use.

Please reconsider immediately! We need our closed captioning!

Meg & Lee Smither

Raleigh, NC

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**From:** Candy Fitzpatrick [donfitz@nctc.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2006 11:53 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Closed captioning

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Federal Communications Commission  
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*Please leave the closed captioning alone. Many hearing impaired people need this in order to enjoy television. Thank you.*

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**From:** Linda Geiger [LGeiger2005@optonline.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2006 11:32 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

October 2, 2006

FCC Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Monica Desai

Dear Monica Desai,

*As a mother of a deaf adult, it has been a joy to watch him be able to watch everything from the news to favorite movies and tv shows. To begin to undue this tremendous benefit to over 31 million deaf people in the US, is outrageous! Not only is captioning beneficial to deaf people but for my own mother with deteriorating hearing, it is a blessing to help her with the sounds she misses. Please don't shut the door on us. We need more shows to be captioned, not less!*

*I protest the FCC approval of almost 300 requests for new programs to be shown without closed captions.*

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*Deaf and hard of hearing people cannot watch television programs that are not captioned.*

*Please reconsider these FCC decisions and support closed captioning.*

*Sincerely,*

Linda Geiger  
2 Emerald Ct  
Moriches, NY 11955-1424

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**From:** anthony biondolillo [poetrymaster6@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2006 11:12 AM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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Sincerely,

anthony biondolillo  
7322 Mai Tai Dr  
Orlando, FL 32822-5605

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*Docket No. 06-181*

**From:** Timothy Pardi [Meowcat57@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 9:02 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Timothy Pardi  
210 Willis Ave  
Herkimer, NY 13350-1026*

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**From:** Linda Mahmood [lmahmood@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 8:42 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Linda Mahmood  
22455 Lake Rd Apt 308A  
Rocky River, OH 44116-1076*

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**From:** skaga18@aol.com**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 8:21 PMFederal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary**To:** Kevin Martin; Deborah Tate; Robert McDowell; Michael Copps; Jonathan Adelstein; Monica Desai**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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I cannot watch television programs that are not captioned. In addition, my son who is hard of hearing cannot watch and learn from programs that are not captioned.

Please reconsider these FCC decisions and support closed captioning.

Elizabeth Vans Evers  
13901 N. Florida Ave. Apt 101  
Tampa, Fl. 33613

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**From:** Sharon Sushko [fanwood04@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 8:02 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

*Sharon Sushko  
182 Tillotson Road  
Fanwood, NJ 07023-1480*

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**From:** Maureen Dempsey [kitty\_mouse\_2006@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 8:02 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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*Sincerely,*

Maureen Dempsey  
po box 2211  
kingston, NY 12402-2211



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From: D Christine Adams [adamslab2@hotmail.com]  
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To: Monica Desai  
Subject: Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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D Christine Adams  
250 Springdale Terrace  
Yardley, PA 19067-3421

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1615 Redwood Road  
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San Marcos, TX 78666-1410

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**From:** Lisa Price [kprice@codie.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 6:52 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
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3576 Arlington Ave  
#211  
Riverside, CA 92506-3943*

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11739 Spring Club Drive  
San Antonio, TX 78249-2672*

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*Jean Trussell  
1413 Eastview Drive  
Garland, TX 75040-7545*

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**From:** Thomas Kober [tomkober@aol.com]  
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Sincerely,

Thomas Kober  
46004 Timber Road  
Vermillion, SD 57069-6970

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**From:** David Burch [dburch2@sport.rr.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 5:52 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
**Subject:** Re: DA 06-1802, CGB-CC-0005 and CGB-CC-0007

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1530 Coty St  
Shreveport, LA 71101-4917

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**Sent:** Friday, September 22, 2006 4:52 PM  
**To:** Monica Desai  
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*September 22, 2006  
FCC Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Monica Desai*

*Dear Monica Desai,*

*I protest the FCC approval of almost 300 requests for new programs to be shown without closed captions.*

*The FCC weakened the closed captioning rules, and appears to have created new standards and new rules for permitting programs to be televised without closed captions. I believe the FCC violated the closed captioning rules.*

*People who are deaf or hard of hearing want access to televised information and entertainment, just like everyone else.*

*Closed captioning is an essential part of any televised program. Captioning is not too difficult or too expensive.*

*I cannot watch television programs that are not captioned.*

*Please reconsider these FCC decisions and support closed captioning.*

*Sincerely,*

*Derek Hodgson  
26 Lema Ln  
Palm Coast, FL 32137-9765*

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Docket No. 06-181

**From:** skytalon@gmail.com on behalf of Katherine Gable [me@skytalon.com]

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Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

Dear CGB Chief Monica DeSai,

I protest the recent Orders granting exemptions from closed captioning issued by CGB. These Orders appear to create a new regulation, carving out a new exemption basis, not in keeping with current regulations. We are outraged and believe the FCC has created a loophole that almost any entity crying "it costs too much" can now use. Please reconsider immediately! We need our closed captioning!

Katherine Gable  
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**From:** Larry Puthoff [lputhoff@c-s-d.org]  
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*Sincerely,*

*Larry Puthoff  
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**From:** Christopher Wagner [cwagner@fadcentral.org]  
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**To:** Monica Desai  
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*September 21, 2006*  
*Monica Desai*

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary

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*Sincerely,*

*Christopher Wagner*  
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